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The Honorable Barack Obama
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Dear Senator Obama:

On behalf of the National Association for Uniformed Services® (NAUS), I am pleased to present to you a copy of the November/December 2008 edition of the NAUS *Uniformed Services Journal (USJ)*. In this issue, we highlight veterans and defense legislation completed in the last days of the 110th Congress and look at several areas considered but not completed.

NAUS is extremely pleased to see Congress act to provide NAUS-endorsed protection to TRICARE from Pentagon plans for sharply higher fees. We deeply appreciate your work to protect the benefits earned – as the result of honorable and faithful service – by our military personnel. We also welcome the 3.9 percent across-the-board military pay raise.

As we move to a new year, NAUS looks forward to working with our congressional champions, our friends at DoD and our partners in The Military Coalition and The Military and Veterans Alliance to keep the promises made to our brave men and women in uniform and their families. We also look forward to revisiting several areas regarding survivor benefits, disability issues and related matters.

Again, NAUS thanks you for your leadership, and we look forward to working with you to support our troops, remember our veterans and strengthen our national security.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM M. MATZ, JR.
Major General, US Army, Retired
President

Enclosure: November/December 2008 edition of the NAUS *Uniformed Services Journal*

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The National Association for Uniformed Services® (NAUS) was founded in 1968 to support legislation to uphold the security of the United States, sustain the morale of the Armed Forces, and provide fair and equitable consideration for all members of the uniformed services: active, Reserve, National Guard, veteran, retired, and their spouses, widows and widowers. The Society of Military Widows (SMW) affiliated with NAUS in 1984. NAUS is the only association to represent all grades, ranks, components, and branches of the uniformed services: Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.